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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

August 2026 – Present

Roger Williams University School of Law, Bristol, RI

Adjunct Professor, Civil Procedure I

- Teach the required first-year doctrinal course covering jurisdiction, pleading, joinder, discovery, and the procedural framework governing civil litigation in federal and state courts.

September 2024 – Present

Roger Williams University School of Law, Bristol, RI

Adjunct Professor, Legal Reasoning I and Legal Analysis II

- Teach seminars on advanced methods of legal analysis and reasoning.

January 2025 – Present

Roger Williams University, Bristol, RI

Adjunct Professor, Justice Studies Program, Legal Methods I and Legal Methods II

- Teach two required core courses covering legal analysis, legal research, and legal writing in the undergraduate Legal Studies program.

Summer 2025 – 2026

Brown University, Providence, RI

Visiting Instructor, Race and the Foundations of American Law and Intellectual Property

- Teach courses in Brown's Pre-College Program on how race intersects with and has historically informed the American legal system, and on the basics of intellectual property law.

June 2021 – September 2022

Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA (remote)

Writing Consultant, Graduate School of Education and Psychology

- Edited dissertations and provided writing support for students in the graduate and doctoral programs.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

September 2026 – Present

JAMS, Irvine, CA

Law Clerk

- Work with JAMS neutrals — including retired federal and state judges — on the resolution of complex commercial, employment, and civil disputes, providing legal research, case analysis, and support throughout mediation and arbitration proceedings.

August 2025 – August 2026

United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island, Providence, RI

Career Law Clerk for the Honorable William E. Smith

- Conducted legal research and drafted memoranda and orders for a Senior United States District Judge; managed chambers scheduling, case-management deadlines, and administrative operations.

- Oversaw and mentored judicial interns and externs; attended hearings, trials, settlement negotiations, and mediations.
- September 2024 – August 2025
- Rhode Island Supreme Court, Providence, RI**
Term Law Clerk for the Honorable Chief Justice Paul A. Suttell
- Conducted legal research and drafted Rhode Island Supreme Court opinions and orders; fact-checked and cite-checked with co-clerks.
 - Met regularly with the Chief Justice on pending cases; oversaw and mentored judicial externs; attended oral arguments.
- August 2023 – May 2024
- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, Boston, MA**
Judicial Extern for the Honorable Bruce M. Selya
- Drafted opinions and prepared briefs for oral argument in civil and criminal appeals; cite-checked and edited alongside Judge Selya’s law clerks; attended oral arguments.

EDUCATION

- December 2025
- American University, Washington, D.C.**
Master of Arts, Applied Economics
- GPA: 4.00/4.00
- May 2024
- Roger Williams University School of Law, Bristol, RI**
Juris Doctor, Valedictorian, summa cum laude
- GPA: 3.91/4.00; Class Rank: 1/171
 - Honors: Editor-in-Chief, Roger Williams University Law Review; Student Editor, The Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce; Presidential Core Medallion Recipient; CALI Awards for the highest grade in Legal Practice I, Legal Practice II, Legal Writing in Plain English, Evidence, Race & the Foundations of American Law, Sales, and Legal History: Constitutional Law Stories; Lead Academic Excellence Teaching Fellow.
 - Teaching Assistant for Civil Procedure I and II, Contracts I and II, Evidence, Race and the Foundations of American Law, Constitutional Law II, Professional Responsibility, and the Writing Center.
- June 2024
- Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA**
Master of Arts, Psychology
- GPA: 4.00/4.00
- May 2011
- The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.**
Bachelor of Arts, History, minor in Journalism, cum laude
- GPA: 3.57/4.00
 - Honors: Jesse Fant Evans Award for Excellence in History; Phi Alpha Theta, Honors History Fraternity; Equestrian Team.

PUBLICATIONS

- Summer 2025
- Another Look at Judicial Review of Labor Arbitration Awards in Rhode Island*

With the Honorable William E. Smith, Kai Wiggins & Samuel Jaksa,
Roger Williams University Law Review, Vol. 31, Issue 3.

June 2026

Pricing Algorithms Confront New Antitrust Issues After Instacart
With Daniel J. Procaccini, Bloomberg Law Insights.

March 2026

Fix the Trade Secret Pleading Problem Through Local Amendments
With Daniel J. Procaccini, Bloomberg Law Insights.

January 2026

'Negative Influencing' Pushes FTC Rules on Ads and Testimonials
With Daniel J. Procaccini, Bloomberg Law Insights.

November 2025

Keeping Trade Secrets a Secret Depends on Which Court You Choose
With Daniel J. Procaccini, Bloomberg Law Insights.

Summer 2025

For the Reasons Elucidated Above: Lessons from Judge Selya on Law, Writing, and Life
With Colten H. Erickson, Roger Williams University Law Review,
Vol. 30, Issue 3.

BAR ADMISSION

Rhode Island (#10979)